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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Congressional Hearings Concerning the INF Treaty

As of 31 December 1987, the following information was available concerning planned hearings on the INF Treaty:

SSCI

The Committee will be forwarding a letter to the Agency, Community, and policy organizations sometime around 4 January inviting participation in 10 hearings concerning the INF Treaty.

The first few sessions will involve testimony by negotiators, ACDA, the Secretary of Defense, and JCS. These will be scheduled for late January.

For 2 February, the subject will be intelligence capabilities for monitoring compliance. It is scheduled for 1400 hours.

On 3 February, there will be a continuation of testimony by intelligence representatives.

A session will be scheduled for 5 February.

On 16, 17 and 18 February, the JCS will testify.

There is some consideration that these 10 hearings will be a joint SSCI and SASC effort.

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The Senate Foreign Relations Committee informed OCA that the DCI would be invited to provide testimony at a hearing on 29 January 1988 concerning the intelligence issues associated with the INF Treaty. The hearing is scheduled for 1000 hours.

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Bill Ashworth of the SFRC staff explained that several briefings would be scheduled for the week of 26 January. The Secretary of State will be invited to testify, as will treaty negotiators, former Secretaries of State Kissinger and Vance; an open session is being planned for Paul Nitze to discuss verification. The DCI or his representative would be the last hearing for the first week.

Ashworth would like to meet with Agency officers in early January to discuss details about the hearing. He thought that testimony should include comments on the exchange of information with the Soviets in finalizing the treaty, a summary of what intelligence knows about the Soviet balance, and some assessment of how the USSR would compensate for INF reduction. He is quite sure that Members will focus on whatever allegations are made in the press about the Treaty.

A meeting between Ashworth and D/ACIS has been scheduled for Wednesday, 6 January, at 0930 hours at Headquarters. [redacted] will attend for OCA.

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